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SUBJ: EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS

REF: STATE 170677

1. FOREIGN MINISTER ROVIRA RECEIVED ME AFTERNOON
JULY 28. I REVIEWED WITH HIM ALL OF THE POINTS CON-
TAINED PARA TWO OF REFTEL AND EXPRESSED OUR DISMAY THAT
IDEA FLOATED IN GREAT CONFIDENCE HAS BEEN SO WIDELY
CIRCULATED IN MONTEVIDEO AND HAS BEEN SO DISTORTED
IN PRESENTATION AND/OR IN REACTION SO AS TO COMPLETELY
CHANGE WHAT WAS ORIGINALLY DISCUSSED AS AN IDEA WHICH
MIGHT HAVE APPEAL TO THE GOU.

2. FOREIGN MINISTER SAID HE AWARE OF CONVERSATION
BETWEEN LUERS AND PEREZ CALDAS AND HAD DISCUSSED IDEA
WITH JUNTA OF GENERAL OFFICERS. ROVIRA RECOGNIZED
SENSITIVITY OF IDEA AND SAID HE HAD FULLY UNDERSTOOD
FROM BEGINNING THAT WE WERE MERELY PRESENTING IT AS AN
IDEA OR SUGGESTION AND NOTHING ELSE. HE ADDED THAT,
UNFORTUNATELY, PRESENT DECISION MAKING BODY HERE IS NOW
SO LARGE AND CUMBERSOME THAT TOO MANY PERSONS HAVE TO
BE INVOLVED WITH WHATEVER GOES ON, INCLUDING THIS CASE.

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HE SAID HE DID NOT KNOW HOW DISTORTIONS HAD OCCURRED,
BUT COULD WELL BELIEVE THAT THEY MIGHT ARISE FROM MIS-
INFORMATION AND ALSO FROM DELIBERATE MISINTERPRETATIONS
OF WHAT OUR IDEA HAD BEEN AT ITS INCEPTION.

3. ROVIRA ADDED THAT GOU WOULD PREFER TO DROP THE IDEA
SINCE IT WOULD NOT BE WILLING TO CONSIDER EXCHANGE INVOLV-

ING PERSONS WHO WERE PASSING THROUGH VARIOUS STAGES OF MILITARY JUSTICE SYSTEM UNDER CHARGES OF SUBVERSION. I TOLD MINISTER THAT HIS ANSWER POSED NO PROBLEM FOR US AS HAD ALREADY BEEN INDICATED TO PEREZ CALDAS IN THE ORIGINAL CONVERSATION.

4. IN CONCLUSION, ROVIRA ASSURED ME THAT HE WOULD TAKE STEPS TO PUT MATTER IN ITS CORRECT PERSPECTIVE SO AS TO CORRECT DISTORTIONS. I THANKED HIM AND TOLD HIM THAT I CONSIDERED IT MOST IMPORTANT THAT HE DO SO.
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